Desktop Memory/RAM Installation

What do I need?

- ✓ Clear Workspace
- ✓ Screwdriver

What do I do?

Make sure the computer is completely shut down and switched off.

To prevent potential damage to the memory from anti-static electricity, it is a good idea to discharge yourself first. This can be done by simply touching a grounded metal object such as a radiator.

First, unplug every cable from the back of your computer, making a note of which cable goes where.

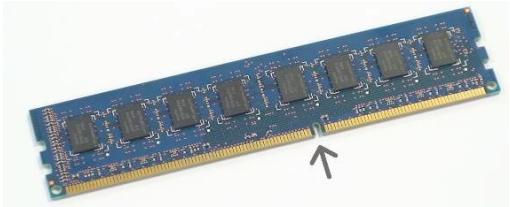
Remove the outer casing. This is normally done by removing the screws that hold it in place. If in doubt, please consult your user manual.

Lay the computer flat on its side. Inside you will see the motherboard, which all the main components are plugged into.

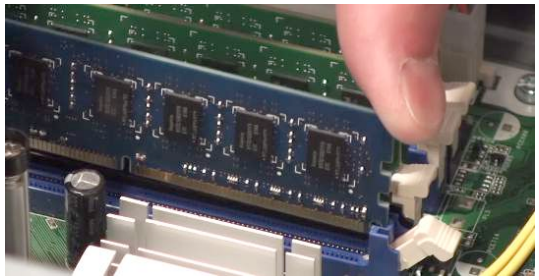
Locate the memory slots where the existing memory is installed. Gently move any cables blocking access to the slots to one side.

If you are replacing any existing memory, gently pull the clips away from the memory module. Gently lift the module to pull it out of the slot.

If you are installing the new module into an empty slot, simply pull the clips apart ready to accept it.

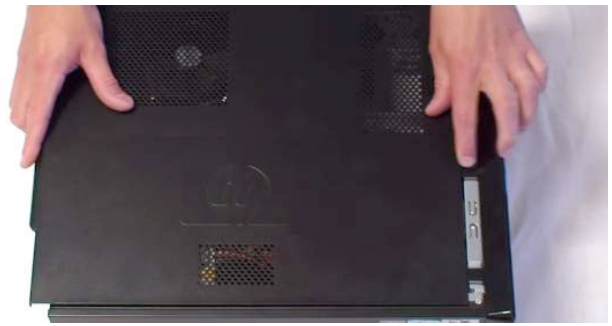


Take the new memory you are about to install, hold it by the edges and locate the notch. Line this up with the notch on the slot and carefully insert the memory.



Apply a firm, even push to ensure the memory is fully seated in the slot. You should hear the clips either side snap back into place.

Refit the outer casing, by carefully aligning and screwing back into position. Plug the cables back in and turn the computer on.



Everything should be running smoothly and quicker than before.

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